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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 2861
PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Hisashi MIYAZAWA

Appln. No.: 09/525,477

Group Art Unit: 2861

Confirmation No.: 9792

Examiner: Judy Nguyen

Filed: March 15, 2000

For: INK-JET RECORDING DEVICE AND INK SUPPLY UNIT SUITABLE FOR IT

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ATTN: BOX AF
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 11-28, 38, 39, 46, 58-71 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 5, 15 and 66-71 have been withdrawn from consideration.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 16, 58 and 59 have been allowed. Additionally, the Examiner has stated that claims 38 and 39 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner